

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF : MURG, Leonard R.
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AMENDMENT

Dear Examiner:

Applicant submits the present Request for Continued Examination ("RCE") under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114. This RCE addresses the issues raised in the final Office Action dated December 27, 2006 issued in connection with the above-referenced application ("subject application"). Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, if the prosecution of the application is closed, Applicant may request continued examination of an application by filing a submission and the fee set forth in 1.17(e) prior to the abandonment of the application. An amendment is an acceptable submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(c). Please amend the subject application as follows.

- (1) **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in a listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.
- (2) **Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.

The three-month period in which to respond to the final Office Action expires March 27, 2007. Accordingly, Applicant submits herewith a Petition for One-Month Extension of Time to extend the response period to April 27, 2007. Therefore, this Amendment is timely filed.